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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
  
Plaintiff,  
  
v.  
  
JOHN J. COTA,  
and  
FLEET MANAGEMENT LIMITED,  
  
Defendants.

Case No. CR 08-0160 SI

**DEFENDANT JOHN J. COTA'S NOTICE  
OF MOTION AND MOTION TO SEVER  
CHARGES AGAINST DEFENDANT  
FLEET MANAGEMENT, INC.**

Date: September. 22, 2008  
Time : 11:00 a.m.  
Judge: Honorable Susan Illston

Speedy Trial Act; Excludable Time through  
Disposition, 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(1)(F)

**TO ALL PARTIES AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD HEREIN:**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that at 11:00 a.m. on September 22, 2008 or as soon  
thereafter as counsel may be heard in the above entitled Court, Defendant JOHN J. COTA  
("Captain Cota") will and hereby does move this Court for an order severing the charges against  
Captain Cota in the Second Superseding Indictment ("Indictment") in the above-captioned  
matter from the charges in the Indictment against Defendant Fleet Management, Inc. ("Fleet").

1 The Motion is brought pursuant to Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 14. Severance is  
2 proper due to the risk of prejudice to Captain Cota if Defendants are jointly tried. Fleet's  
3 proposed defense is highly prejudicial to Captain Cota and is based upon speculation, innuendo,  
4 and character assassination. This motion is made and based upon this Notice and Motion and  
5 Motion, the Memorandum of Points and Authorities and exhibits in support thereof, the complete  
6 files and records in this matter, and upon such other matters as may be presented to the Court at  
7 the time of the hearing.

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9 Respectfully submitted,

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11 K& L GATES LLP

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14 Dated: August 22, 2008

By : /s/ Jeffrey L. Bornstein

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

/s Michelle Crawford

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